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1. Windsdorf (Z-91): [redacted] briefed to check reports concerning an airfield alleged to be at or near Windsdorf, visited that area on 7 June 1947. Two dozen local residents were questioned; all stated that no such field exists and that the nearest is at Rangsdorf.

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2. Rangsdorf (Z-82): On 7 June, source of Paragraph 1 counted twenty-eight LA-5's on the field and five more airborne. There were two MIG-3's at the workshop hangar. This field is still without concrete runways.

3. Welzow (A-44): On 14 June, Welzow Airfield was heavily occupied. The large workshop was equipping Soviet aircraft with bomb sights, radar, weapons, etc. [redacted] Comment: Similar information on Welzow was received from another [redacted] source during the same period. A third [redacted] source has already reported that on 17 May 1947 eighty-two IL-2's had recently arrived at Welzow.)

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4. Bad Lausick (K-49): An unconfirmed report of 29 May states that an airfield is under construction between Bad Lausick and Hopfgarten (K-48). In this area the Colditz forest has been blocked off and a barracks camp is being erected.

5. Laucha (J-79): Observed on 27 May, the field had been broken up into plots for cultivation. There were no hangars and no runway.

6. Kothen (D-95): Local residents stated on 29 May that only five planes were based at the field which is, however, closed off and under guard.

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7. Gorries (T-46): Seven aircraft were counted on this field on 26 May. [redacted] Comment: A previous report received on Gorries stated that in January 1947 the field was inoperative.)

8. Gaberndorf (J-47): A meadow between Gaberndorf and Daasdorf (J-47), approximately six kilometers east of Weimar, has been used by the Soviet Air Force since 8 May. The ground crew consists of about twenty men. On 22 May, source observed five U-2's there. Sheds and fuel tanks have been set up. [redacted] Comment: A meadow in the area described would be west, and not east, of Weimar.)

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